

Tour Montparnasse



Identification

EBN	110509
Name	Tour Montparnasse
Alternative Name	Tour Maine-Montparnasse
Construction Type	skyscraper
Current Status	existing [completed]

Location

Continent Name	Europe	Postcode	75015
Country Name	France	Address (as text)	33 Avenue du Maine
State Name	Île-de-France	Main Address	33 Avenue du Maine
Metro Area Name	Paris Metro Area	Virtual Address	66 Boulevard du Montparnasse 2-20 Rue du Départ 1-29 Rue de l'Arrivée

City Name	Paris	Latitude	Contact us
District (1st level)	15ème arrondissement	Longitude	Contact us
District (2nd level)	Necker		

Description

Foundation System	caisson foundation	Facade Color	dark brown
Structural Material	composite structure	Architectural style	modernism
Facade System	curtain wall	Main Usage	office condominium
Facade Material	glass		

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	688.98 ft	Floors (overground)	60
Height (roof)	688.98 ft	Elevators	25
Width	196.85 ft	Gross Floor Area (GFA)	Contact us

Years and costs

Year (construction start)	1969	Year (construction end)	1973
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Features & Amenities

- One of the city's famous buildings
- Helipad is available
- Observation deck on roof
- Observation floor is available

Facts

- The normative building height in the adjacent surrounding blocks is roughly 26 meters.
- Referred to as one of the late French president Georges Pompidou's 'Grand Projects', the tower provoked a very strong esthetical and political debate at completion. Even a number of decades later, the tower has very few Parisian supporters.

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- An express elevator reaches Le Belvédère bar on the 56th floor from the entrance lobby in 38 seconds.
- The average surface of a floor is about 1700 m². This provides office space for about 120 to 150 people.
- Tallest building in Western Europe and third tallest in all of Europe from 1973 - 1990; surpassed by MesseTurm in Frankfurt. Tour Montparnasse was the tallest building in France until the completion of the vertical extension of Tour First in La Défense.
- The foundation of this building consists of 56 pillars, which are inserted 62 m into the ground.
- On a clear day, the tower's roof terrace affords a view of 40 kilometres (25 miles).
- In case of emergency, the terrace on the roof can be converted into a helipad in less than two minutes.
- Originally proposed in 1956, and completed 17 years later.
- The total surface of the façade is 40,000 m².
- This building has three full mechanical floors.
- When opened in 1973, the building featured the fastest lifts in Europe. With just under 40 seconds to the top, they are still among the fastest in the continent.
- Replaced a railway station on the site where it stands.
- The total weight of this building is 150,000 metric tons.
- The steel frame used in this building weights about 7200 metric tons.
- The 56th and 59th floors are open to the public, and you can get one of the best panoramic views of Paris from there.

Involved companies

Architect.....

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Additional company data available for this building

Elevator Supplier

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